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National Meeting on Girl Child

4329. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a National meeting on the girl child has been held at New Delhi in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the objectives for such meeting;

(c) whether any programme has been drawn up for development of girl child;

(d if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) and (b). As part of the celebration of the SAARC Year of the Girl Child, 1990, a national Level Action Research Project on "The Girl Child and the Family" was undertaken during 1990-91 to make a situational analysis of the Girl Child in various parts of the country. The study was undertaken by the Women's Studies Centres attached to 22 Universities in 14 States and covered 13,000 girl children and their mothers. A meeting of the Girl Child and the Family was held on 11.3.1992 as a follow-up to discuss and analyse the interim findings with a view to identity the critical areas of intervention.

(c) to (e). The meeting discussed all relevant issues to pinpoint and concretise Long-term and Short-term intervention strategies as also vital inputs for the Action Plan for the SAARC Decade of the Girl Child 1991-2000 AD.

Sophisticated Diagnostic Machines in Hospitals

4330. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE S be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to provide Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy machines to All India Institute of Medical Sciences in near future;

(b) if so, details thereof along with the benefits to be deprived from these equipments;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide similar equipment in other major Government Hospitals in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Model No. 63/84 SP 2 T f M/S Siemens, Simians Germany for clinical purposes and Model No. 47/40 Broker Biospec of M/S Bruker Spectrospin AG, Switzerland have been selected. The overall benefits to be derived will be :

(i) to facilitate disease diagnosis of the brain, heart, liver etc. in patients and for clinical patients treatment;

(ii) for advanced education/research in this frontier field of medicine at AIIMS and for keeping pace with the progress and latest developments in this area the world over.